STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7717

Petition of Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc., pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8003, for a Voluntary Renewable Energy Pricing Program))	
	Order entered:	3/24/2011

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM, SCHEDULING ORDER AND NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

On January 24, 2011, Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("VEC") filed a petition, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8003, requesting that the Vermont Public Service Board ("Board") authorize VEC's implementation of a voluntary renewable energy pricing program.

On March 22, 2011, I held a prehearing conference in this Docket. Appearances were entered by: Joslyn Wilschek, Esq., Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer, PC, on behalf of VEC; and John Beling, Esq., on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service. Also present was Victoria Brown, Esq., on behalf of VEC.

At the prehearing conference, the parties discussed a schedule, including dates for a workshop. I adopt the proposed schedule, as set forth below.

April 1, 2011	Discovery on Petitioner and motions for intervention due
April 8, 2011	Responses to discovery and responses to motions for intervention ¹
April 12, 2011	Workshop
April 20, 2011	Department prefiles testimony
May 4, 2011	Parties file stipulation or proposed schedule for a fully litigated case

^{1.} If any requests for intervention are granted by the Hearing Officer, parties will file a proposed revised schedule.

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As identified in the schedule above, the Hearing Officer will hold a workshop commencing at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2011, at the Public Service Board Hearing Room, Third Floor, People's United Bank Building, 112 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont. The purpose of the workshop will be for Board staff and interested parties to discuss VEC's proposed voluntary renewable energy pricing program.

Because the case is being heard by a Hearing Officer, parties need file only an original and three copies of all filings and one copy of discovery requests and responses. Electronic filings with the Board, in addition to the required hard copies, are also requested to the extent possible, particularly for testimony, exhibits, and briefs. An electronic filing may be submitted as an attachment to an e-mail sent to psb.clerk@state.vt.us, or it may be on a CD or DVD delivered along with the paper copy. Parties need file only a single copy of the CD or DVD. Parties filing electronic versions of documents may file them in WordPerfect, Word, Excel, .rtf, or .pdf (Adobe) formats. Parties filing in .pdf format should ensure that their documents are not locked, that is, that text can be selected and copied from their documents.

SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this	24 th	_ day of _	March	, 2011.
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		Hearing Officer		

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FILED: March 24, 2011

Attest: s/ Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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